

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

Third Declension Nouns

WHEELLOCK: CHAPTER 7

The Greek historian Herodotus records this tale; statues sculpted in honor of Cleobis and Biton can be seen today in the museum at Delphi.

Cleobis Bitōnque erant filiī Cŷdippēs. Cŷdippē erat sacerdos deae Iūnōnis. Videre magnam statuam Iūnōnis Cŷdippē dēsiderābat. Sed procul erat statua, et Cŷdippē ambulāre nōn poterat; pueri bovēs nōn habēbant. Cleobis Bitōnque Cŷdippēn amābant; ipsī igitur plaustrum tractābant. Labor erat arduus, sed filiī Cŷdippēs rōbustī erant. Nunc Cŷdippē statuam videre poterat; quārē Iūnōnī supplicāvit: "Ō pulchra dea! Cleobis Bitōnque bonōs mōrēs et virtūtem habent. Dā igitur meis filiis optimum praemium." 10 Propter precēs Cŷdippēs Iūnō puerīs sine morā mortem sine dolore dedit. Cleobis Bitōnque nunc beātī in perpetuā pāce sunt.

VOCABULARY:

Cleobis, -is, m.:	Cleobis, a Greek youth
Bitōn, -ōnis, m.:	Biton, Cleobis' brother
Cŷdippē, -ippēs, -ippae, -ippēn, f.:	Cydippe
sacerdos, -dotis, f.:	priestess
Iūnō, -ōnis, f.:	Juno, queen of the gods
statua, -ae, f.:	statue
dēsiderō (1):	to desire
procul (adverb):	far away
ambulō (1):	to walk
bōs, bovis, m.:	ox
ipsī: (they) themselves (m. pl. nominative)	
plaustrum, -ī, n.:	wagon, cart
tractō (1):	to pull
arduus, -a, -um:	steep, difficult, hard
rōbustus, -a, -um:	strong, hardy
supplicō (1):	to pray to (+ dative object); supplicāvit = she prayed to (perfect tense)
optimus, -a, -um:	best
praemium, -iī, n.:	reward
prex, precis, f.:	prayer
mors, mortis, f.:	death
dolor, -ōris, m.:	pain, grief
dedit:	gave (perfect tense of dat)
beātus, -a, -um:	happy, fortunate